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FM AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2312

INFO AMEMBASSY DHAHRAN

AMEMBASSY DOHA

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY MANAMA

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

C O N F I D E N T I A L MUSCAT 0890

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC, PINS

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PFLP OPERATION

REF: STATE 178231

1. CONTENTS REFTEL PASSED TO PD(O) MANAGER RUDI JACKLI
MORNING JULY 21. WHILE GRATEFUL TO BE INFORMED, HE DID NOT
INDICATE WHAT SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS HE WOULD TAKE.

2. THE NEXT DAY BRITISH EMBASSY HERE CHECKED WITH US STATING
THAT SHELL OIL CO. IN LONDON HAD INFORMED BRITISH GOVT. IT
HAD RECEIVED REPORT THAT PFLP MIGHT BE PLOTTING TO HIJACK
BRITISH TANKER IN AREA OF HORMUZ STRAITS, AND THAT FCO WON-
DERED IF ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MIGHT BE AVAILABLE.
EMBASSY HERE WAS DIRECTED TO SEE IF WE HAD ANY DETAILS. WE
THEREFORE PASSED CONTENTS REFTEL TO BRITISH EMOFF, AND
AGREED WITH HIS CONCLUSION THAT REPORT REACHING SHELL
IN LONDON PROBABLY ORIGINATED FROM PD(O) MUSCAT AFTER OUR
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ADVICE TO JACKLI.

3. BRITISH EMOFF SAID HE RECALLED ONE OR TWO PREVIOUS WARNINGS COUPLE OF YEARS AGO ABOUT POSSIBLE TANKER HIJACKINGS. HE SAID THEY WERE TRACED TO IRANIAN SOURCES WHICH PROVED QUITE UNRELIABLE.

4. SUGGEST DEPT. PASS REFTEL AND RESPONSES, INCLUDING THIS MESSAGE, TO LONDON FOR INFO (AND ALSO TO ABU DHABI FOR ACTION). SAME GOES FOR ANY FUTURE INFORMATION OF THIS TYPE.

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